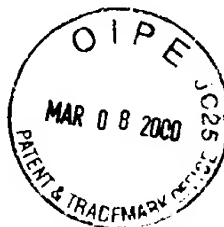


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Docket No. 6216-7

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT application of)
Peter DORMER)
Serial No. 08/973,303) Art Unit: 1642
Filed: November 28, 1997) Examiner: N. Johnson
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Sir:

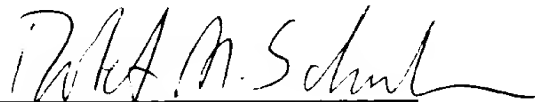
Transmitted herewith is a Petition for Three Month Extension of Time and Notice of Appeal in the above-identified application.

A check in the amount of \$1,170.00 (\$870 to cover the extension fee and \$300 to cover the Notice of Appeal fee) is enclosed.

In the event applicant(s) has overlooked the need for any petition and fee for extension of time, and such extension is required, applicant(s) requests that this be considered a petition therefor and that such fee be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-2380 (6216-7).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 (except the Issue Fee) which may be required now or hereafter, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-2380 (6216-7). A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "R. M. Schulman", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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